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Dear John,

I am enclosing a stock certificate for 25 shares of Gulf Specimen Co. stock which is currently being marketed to a limited group of investors for \$20.00 each. Please send me your check for \$500.00, the amount you agreed to purchase last April, at your earliest convenience. We need the cash to get started on this business of pumping salt water into the laboratory.

Knopf sent the first galleys to me last week and I finally completed the revisions, illustrations, captions, etc. It's odd how different my book looked after the printer was done with, how I was able to make ~~all~~ those cold-blooded corrections only after it was set. I'm good and sick of the book by now and hope not to be bothered with it for quite some time. The galleys arrived just when the rush of fall orders started and I've been working day and night.

Shirley Fisher says it's getting good responses from magazines as they say "No." to condensing it. You should be receiving a copy of the finished galleys sometime towards the end of October. Please let me know what you think about the book. In the meantime, please write if you get a chance and many thanks for your hospitality during my last visit.

I am enclosing our latest catalogue and other propaganda.

Sincerely,